With Big Jeffries In His Training

By TOMMY CLARK.

If Jim Jeffries does not succeed in defeating Jack Johnson at the Emeryville race track July 4 it villi not be the fault of any human being. Jeff's training at Ben Lomond, Cal., is being bandled more carefully than any other pugilist that ever engaged in a championship battle. Every possible means within the power of man is being used to bring Jeff back to his old shape. Nearly all the great fighters that he has beaten are willing to contribute their bit to the big fellow's success in the coming battle; in fact, every particle of fight left in Jeff will be brought

But-and this word is very significant - is it the assistance of these great old timers that will bring home the money for the Jeffries followers? Will any exclusive instruction in the art of boxing help Jeff come out victorious? At the present time Jeff's training corps is composed of Joe Choynski, Bob Armstrong, Farmer Burns, Billy Papke and Sam Berger.

The opinion seems to prevail that Jeffries is in need of some older head to map out his training, and there is some fear being expressed by his friends that he may injure himself by working too violently at this early pe-So far Jeff bas rounded to shape in a manner that was gratifying to even those who never figured his being able to go through a severe course of training work.

However, the recent stiffness which he has felt in his limbs after exercising briskly has caused anxiety among



JEFF RETUENING FROM LONG BUN ON BOAD.

his admirers, and now there is a howl for some veteran like Billy Delaney or Billy Madden to oversee his training. While Berger is a useful man to the champion, he is a young fellow who does not know the finer points of training an athlete like some of the older heads.

Jeff has always been a hard, faithful worker when in training, but in this case it's going to need more than the hard work to keep the big fellow from leaving all his fight on those mountain roads around Ben Lomend. If Jeff makes any mistake this time he may hurt himself worse than the negro can burt him.

There is another thing-a camp should have a single head, one man whose word is law to the fighter and to every one else. At present Choynski is superintending the training. Pretty soon Jim Corbett will blow along, and there will be three of 'em, to say nothing of a large bunch of confidential advisers, and there will be jealousy in the camp and bickerings, and poor old good natured Jeff will be sitting belplessly in the middle of plots and counterplets. This won't do. If Jeff cannot get Delaney, why not try Billy Madden? Billy is a veteran of the days when training was a cruel thing, the days when a man "dried out" before his fight, a real drying out, which left not an ounce of perspiration in the whole body. He has handled many fighters and made few mistakes with them in their training.

Jeff has laid out a daily schedule. which he intends to follow strictly until his battle with the negro. He rises at 6:30 a. m. and takes a cold bath and a rubdown. Then he takes a brisk walk of at least four miles and returns in time to have breakfast at 8. Rests for one hour, then takes light exercise in the gymnasium and is ready for handball at 10 a. m. Shortly after he is ready for a climb over hills and a run of eight or ten miles. Has lunch at 1 p. m., then takes one hour of rest. At 2 o'clock he starts boxing, wrestling, bag punching, rope skipping and another workout on the road until 5 p. m., then a bath and a rubdown, supper at 6 p. m., three hours of leisure and to bed at 9 o'clock.

Boston Teams Composed of Youngsters The two Boston teams this year are composed nearly entirely of players well under the twenty-five year mark. The Doves, with one or two exceptions, are all under twenty-five, while the majority of the Red Sox players are below that limit. These are the youngest teams that ever played together in major league baseball.

Call for Longwell's backs at Union



earing his final goal. It looks as Sentiment cuts no ice in baseball, the though "Jimmy" Sheckard, the great butfielder and hitter is serving his last year in major league company. "Sheck" is still with the Cubs, but he is on the bench watching proceedings, while another man is cavorting around the field. Is now getting it.

Another veteran ball player is now, that he served so long and well in some lively youngster who will get the

How Cy Young Broke Into the Game

By Cy Young Himself.

It was a good many years agodoesn't make much difference how fair, and we will let it go at that. You see, I am getting sort of weary of this "Old Cy" business. I stand for what the women say on the question of age when they say they are just as old as they feel. That's me. I'm just as old as I feel; but, at that, I guess most folks who know me know I've passed the forty mark.

I'm glad to get the age question off



CY YOUNG, VETERAN PITCHER OF CLEVE-

the Hickory Bottom team. Never beard of that team, hey? I started playing ball with them, the good old Hickory Bottoms of Hopedale, Harri-

I had been pitching hay, playing ball with some of the farm hands, and we were having quite a time of it. A little place called New Athens-not the Athens on up the state, but New Athens-had a college and some 500 folks. They were rather chesty when it came to playing ball, and when the boys would drive into town on a Saturday afternoon we would watch the college boys play ball.

They didn't look much to me, so I got our farmer boys in line, and we hunted a long time for a name. Big Stillwater and Little Stillwater were two creeks close by, and we thought we would call ourselves the Stillwaters, but some of the fellows kicked on that. As we lived in a part of the county called Hickory Bottom and as our first bats we made ourselves out of good old hickory trees, we took up the name of the Hickory Bottom baseball club, and then we started. Say, we didn't do a thing to those college

boys! We just ate 'em alive. Well, I never will forget the day we went to Cadiz. I was down to pitch, and all I could do was to throw a ball like-well, I could throw 'em some in those days. Did have an outcurve, I guess, but I just counted on speed, The Cadiz team had been cleaning up everything from Wheeling, Steubenville and on down the river, and to think the Hickory Bottom team would

(Copyright, 1910, by American Press Asso. | lick them! Why, say, it was a joke t those fellows

We played on a side of a hill. Never was a ball ground quite like that. long ago, but it was before the World's | The only thing any way near level was the run from first to second. You had to run up hill to first, up hill from third to home and down hill from second to third.

The Cadiz team had a fellow they called Home Run Grimes. He played shortstop, and his record was a home run or two every game. Say, I fanned that fellow every time he came to bat. and we won the game 12 to 1. Funny how they got that one run! It came my chest, for I started to talk about | in the second or third inning, I forget which. But some of the Cadiz sports got to betting that I would blow up or kill our catcher, and that made me hot again. So I kept firing the balls in sort of reckless-like, and I hit two felows, and one man got to base on balls. I hit the next fellow, and that forced in a run. Then I settled down, and we won hands down

The Cadiz Republican gave me a big writeup on the game, and the Canton (O.) manager got hold of the story and booked me. The boys told how I went into professional ball on a hay wagon, and there was a heap of truth in it at

HERE'S SAM LANGFORD'S TIP ON BIG FIGHT.

Why not take a real live hunch on the big fight from a man who knows? Let's get right on this Jeffries-Johnson affair. The way to do this is to peruse the ultimatum of one Samuel Langford. who plays the role of general reducer of fight championship aspirations Samuel recently issned a statement in which he offered to fight anybody in the world, with the sole exception of James J. Jeffries.

"That Mistah Jeff he ain't no man; he's just a big train, and he's going to run over ennybody 't tries to hol' him back," said Langford when asked about the

"But how about Johnson?" was the query to him.

"Honey, he's jest mah meal ticket. If I can get that big moke in front of me I'll knock him clear out of the moving pictures. Yas, suh, I will. I know, 'cause I met him once."

If there is any better line on the matter than this it has yet to be dug up. Langford's unconscious tip on the big mill is surely not blased. He can whip Jack, but nothing doing with 0000000000000000000000000000

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00000000000000000 The Sturges company has sold nine cars to a Roswell, N. M., agent, and three more to a Carlsbad representa-

C. M. Barber, the local dealer, is at Detroit, visiting the E. M. F. factory. C. J. Hamilton of the city of Chihuathrough the Sturges company of El

P. G. Niehoff, general salesman and manager for the Garage Equipment Manufacturing company, was in El Paso

Friday visiting local dealers. ALPINE WINS TWO BALL

GAMES FROM SANDERSON. Alpine, Texas, May 7.—The Alpine team won the morning and afternoon ball games from Sanderson, the first by a score of 11 to 10, and the second by a 11 to 7 score. The Fort Davis team will play the Alpine team Saturday.

Is He Serving His Last Year? Gossip Of the Pugilists; Sidelights On the Battlers

best middleweights over there, is recogtoday, and whom his friends think will of Conan Doyle's books. Jimmy hinges on the result, for it means good organization. matches in the future for both of them. Kelly wants another try at Panke, while McGoorty has good offers in England, should be succeed in besting the Chicago man.

game which has had such a boom in vious to the Jeffries-Johnson fight is England the past year will have a rest during the summer months. There doubt that there will be a representare a few promoters over there who ative gathering of boxing critics and , wanted to continue during the hot weather, but they will probably lay off when they discover that the fans do A letter from a well known sporting authority in London gives the follow-ing interesting notes: "My Dear An- will be quite a delegation of sporting been a big success here the past year. and everyone is waiting for the Welsh- them some of the most prominent titled

In the history of the world there

have been several fights that stand out

as truly great. Everybody knows or

ought to know all about the battle be

tween David and Goliath. Mythology

celebrates the desperate struggle be-

tween Hector and the invulnerable

Achilles, and we all know that Sparta-

cus was a great scrapper, and nearly

every male child has heard of the Sul-

livan-Kilrain fight. But none of these

can compare in point of interest before

the actual combat with the Jeffries-

Johnson battle, which is scheduled to

be held at the Emeryville race track,

It is estimated that the crowd that will cheer the victor on that day will

championship and as many times as

antipodes for San Francisco with a

party of 200 or more. From England

half a dozen lords are coming to take

in the big mill. The party is expected

Noblemen from France and Germany

to arrive in this country early in May.

are also bound to see the big mill.

Jack Gleason says he has a request

from China asking him to reserve 150

seats. Nearly every big city in the

United States is to have one or two

special trains headed for San Fran-

cisco. It looks as if Rickard and Glea-

son will have to increase the seating

Of late there has been a lot of fren-

zied writing about the probable re-

ceipts, and some of the unthinking

have estimated that \$500,000 or even

\$1,000,000 will be raked over the box

office desk. It is to be said that \$250,-

000 will very nicely and generously

They are saying that a full million

will be bet on the result of the great-

est of all fist fights. A million is a lot

of money, but there are many wise

boys and hunchees who are quietly

stowing away the dollars against the

time when the betting begins to be

lively, and it is possible that the ag-

gregate of the wagers at the last will

look like a picture of the national debt.

Is it not barely possible that retire-

ment of all this coin to stakeholders'

hands might bring on stringency, tight

money and large uncertainty? This is

not the financial editor's department,

but it is humbly suggested that if the

Jeff-Johnson mill takes the money out

of circulation, as some of the sport

writers say it will do, the treasury ex-

perts had better arrange to have all

the big prizefight transactions carried

At least it is wise to leave enough

money in circulation to handle pros-

perity. We want no more clearing

The promoters have made arrange-

ments with nearly all of the leading

railroad lines to the coast and with

their co-operation will put into effect

a system of supplying tickets for the

big fight that cannot fall to satisfy

In brief, the plan is to make reserva-

tion for a certain number of seats for

cover receipts.

out by check.

everybody.

house certificates.

capacity of the arena once more.

Emeryville, Cal., July 4.

Achilles finally put him out,

Milwaukee, Wis., May 7 .- One of the will practically wind up the season. Johnny Coulon, the Chicago bantam best middleweight contests that has East London the past few weeks and has been meeting a few tartars down been arranged for some time will bring has been doing grand work in this line, togteher Hugo Kelly, of Chicago, and certainly a wonderful card when you bumped into a very taugh proposition Eddy McGoorty, of Oshkosh, Wis., who consider that he is out of the game in Brooklyn the other night and it will meet in a ten round, no decision entirely. Jimmy Britt, the California was only by hard work that he was before the Badger Athletic lightweight, wants to become a real given credit of a draw at the end of club in the Milwauker Auditorium on actor. Jimmy has been consulting with the evening of May 6. McGoorty, Sir Conan Doyle, and is after him to

"It is ligely that he will draw some nizd as one of the best in this country of the scenes from Rodney Stone, one soon be in line for championship hon-ors. Kelly is well known to the box-ing fans of this country, and if Mc-excited over the Welsh-McFarland Goorty can outpoint him it will be the light. Packy has been doing light work biggest kind of a boost for the Osh- at Jack Straw's place, and is in great kosh boy. The weight is to be 160 condition now. I weighed him the pounds, which is two pounds over the other day, and he was only a few recognized weight, but this was done pounds over weight; he will make so as to help Kelly as he did not care weight for Welsh without any trouble. to be bothered about reducing too much and if he wins he is going back to at this time, although there is no doubt America to challenge Wolgast for a that he can make 158 pounds, and Mc. battle for the world's title. There has Goorty knows it. Of the two McGoor- been a great deal of controversy going ty is probably the cleverer, at long on regarding the proposed internation-range work, while at blocking Kelly al board of control for boxing. William has the call. The men appear to be Will, the clever editor of Sporting Life, very evenly matched, and the contest | has been doing arand work in this lien, should be one of the best seen in these, and hopes to accomplish what he has parts for a long time. A great deal set out to do-that is, bring about the "From clippings received here from

Australia and New Zealand the pro-

moters and critics in those countries favor the proposition and also favor weights as proposed by The indications are that the boxing meeting be held in San Francisco pre-James Coffroth, the San here and fully coincides with the As you know the game has men from this side of the Atlantiwho will go to the big fight, and among

> each railroad. A person intending to make the trip to Frisco to see the fight has only to apply to a railroad agent.

ervation secured for them. This order will be countersigned by an agent of the railroad when the railroad ticket is issued. Under this plan speculators would have to buy a railroad ticket with each ticket for the fight. The tremendous expense, of course, bars them from doing this.

deposit the price of the ticket he de-

sires, and the railroad company will

issue to him an order on Mr. Gleason

or Mr. Rickard for a seat in the res-

Every safeguard will be taken against counterfeit tickets, and Gleason and Rickard will be indemnified by a substantial bond by the ticket be ten times as great as that which manufacturers. The whole scheme turned down its thumbs at the bout in has been thoroughly worked out and pronounced nawless.

Gleason has mapped out a color big as the gang that saw Hector do his scheme in conjunction with the ticksprint around the walls of Troy before ets that promises to prevent the confusion usually attendant upon big At first the promoters planned to events of this kind. There will be erect a structure that would hold eight prices of admission. Each differ-20,000 people, then 30,000, and now ent priced ticket will be of a certain Rickard and Gleason have shaped up color. The entrances to the arena arrangements to seat 50,000 wild eyed | will be painted in colors to correspond fight fans. Reservations for seats have with the tickets. A man holding a been received from all over the world. blue ticket will know that he can't go People who have never before taken astray if he enters the arena through any interest in boxing are going to an entrance painted blue. The same see the fight of the century. Hugh will, of course, apply to the other col-McIntosh of Australia is to leave the ors.

By 7. S. Andrews

east of late. In Franky Burns he the evening of May 5. McGoorty, Sir Cohan Doyle, and is after a generally admitted that Dayle, and is after through his excelent showing while in write a play in which Jimmy will be 115 pounds ringside. The promoters the Chicago Americans' third sacker, it will be for the champlenship, but this can hardly be in view of the between Walsh and Coulon would be about the proper thing and then the winner could meet Digger any of his lives of Tannehill's hands Stanley of England for the world's A close study of Tannehill's hands ably want the English weight, which When he places the tips of his fingers is 118 pounds while the American together, and also the base of his palm, weight is placed at 116 pounds. It will be quite a relief when the board of control is formed and these weights are adjusted, for then it will be possible to determine who is champion and who

Frank Picato, the California lightveight, who was going along so nicely and making a great showing in the east, bumped into a snag in Philadelphia the other night, when he met Micky Gannon, the Quaker City boxer. Gannen stopped Picato in the round of a six round bout, but this should not discourage the Californian, for the reason that he gave away con siderable weight. Had Gannon weighed in at the lightweight limit, the result would no doubt have been different. seconded ever here, and I have no Picato came right back with an offer of \$1000 to go as a side bet for another battle with Gannon provided he promoters from all over the world. made 133 pounds at 3 celock for him. I hope it goes through, for it will help. The promoters had been looking upon Picato as a possible opponent for Wolnot take kindly to boxing in summer. Francisco promoter, has written over gast, and this setback came as a se vere disappointment to them, hence Picates' anxiety to get on with Gannon again and wipe out his defeat.

As is usually the case, the six round bouts between men of high class in the boxing world do not prove very satisfactory: in fact, they usually leave a bad taste in the mouth for the fans. That seems to be the case of the Ketchel-Langford bout at Philadelphia this week. There was no decision given and the verdict was left to the sporting writers of the various papers. The opinions differed, of course, some giving the shade to Ketchel and others to Samuel. A few thought a draw was right and still others came out and said that Langford had deliberatery "pulled" all the way and could have put Stanley out had he wished; but that he was looking for a longer fight on the coast and let the Michigan man

Whether there is any truth to the report or not is hard to say, but the general impression is that if anything was wrong it was not from the Ketchel end; that Stanley tried his best to defeat the negro man and fought and did the aggressive work all the way. The fact that Ketchel once put the negro in bad shape with a stomach punch seems to bear out this view. Ketchel has never been known to try to fight clever; he has always rushed and mixed matters no matter who he was against. He did the same in the man who has delicate hands can never Johnson fight, when he should have play an infield position as easily as one fought more carefully and made the of Tannehill's kind. negro champion open up and do the Langford dld not make the showing that some expected, but then he may not have been able to handle stretching the point any, his hands Ketchel as easily as other opponents. for he is a heavyweight and not a middleweight, as many try to make pounds ringside for Ketchel and fight his clutches. Once he gets his hands for the championship and he will not on a grounder it generally means cerfind the going so easy-that is at that At catchweights Langford has every advantage, as he scales near the 178 pound mark, but at 158 it will be different. Ketchel has been a good, honest boxer in all his engagements catch a fly. Many a fielder who is sure and his friends will not believe that he had anything to do with any "pulling" with the Langford bout.

Big Hands Of Value To **Ball Players**

Many columns of stuff have been written about "baseball brains," while "haseball hands" have been sadly neglected. Fair hands are common, but There is talk now of the real perfect type is scarce. It is has the ideal hands for a ball tosser. fact that Jimmy Walsh, the Boston Lee is on the down grade as a top bantam, has a prior claim to Attell. A liner these days, but in his prime he could pick up a grounder better than any of his rivals in the infield.

title. Of course Stanley would prob- show them large, strong and sinewy. a baseball fits there as snugly as a



GEORGE STONE, ST. LOUIS AMERICANS STAR LEFT FIRLDER

George Stone, the star batter and left fielder of the St. Louis Americans, is once more demonstrating that he is one of the leading stick wielders on Ban season opened Stone refused to join his eam because of a big cut in salary. but later changed his mind and at-tached his John Hancock to a contract. Lest year George injured his ankle and was forced to lay off. Since he

glove on the hand. On scooping up a grounder around third base the ball appears to be almost crushed before he lets if go to first base. It is this that started the expression of "devouring the ball" or "eating it up." A

Another infielder who "eats up" the ball is Hans Wagner. look tremendous when he swoops up On form the negro has the call, a grounder. They are about the biggest hands a man ever looked on. It takes a fearful drive to get away from tain death for the batter. His hands are more necessary to the infielder, for it is much harder to scoop up a ball when it is coming fast than to death on a fly ball of a line drive will let a grounder out in his territory get away from him.

> Devlin of the New York Nationals has a perfect baseball hand. So have Bill Bradley of the Cleveland Amerleans and Delehanty of the Detroit Tigers. But the perfect type is a rarity. Manager Chance of the Chicago Nationals looks at a player's hands first in sizing him up as a possible recruit. It is there that the man's strength is shown, and, for that matter, his character

> A man with delicate hands who starts in the infield is a "freak." Johnny Evers of the Cubs comes under this classification. To see Johnny in citizen's clothes he appears more like a bank clerk or a cashier, a man whose business it is to write or to handle money. His fingers are long and tapering, almost like a woman's. It makes one wonder how he can save them from injury and also how he can round up some of the terrific drives which go his way.

The Ball Question



Merely a Dream

Coowright, 1909, by George Matthew Adams.

By WALT MASON

I dreamed I went to Paradise, far from this vale so dark, and having reached that happy land, I sought the baseball park; they charged me nothing at the gate, but led me blithely in, and murmured, as I took my seat: "The home team's sure to win." A winged fan beside me sat, within the grandstand's shade, consuming pearly peanuts and ambrosial lemonade; I asked him why the shining hosts all wore such happy grins; "in heaven here," the fan replied, "the home team alwavs wins." The game was nicely under way when I fell out of bed, and busted nearly all my slats, and fairly spoiled my head; forgetting I was back on earth, I cried: "How was the game?" The surgeon said: "They shut us out-it was a beastly shame."

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